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Amendment to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (Currently amended): A method for building a horseshoe of an intended shape in situ, including cleaning the surface of the shoe area of a horse hoof of debris, shaping a temporarily generally malleable mass of paste-like resin on the cleaned hoof surface into generally a solid horseshoe-shape, and locally modifying exposed surfaces of said horseshoe shape on said shoe area surface after general malleability in the resin is lost.

Claim 2 (Currently amended): A method for building a horseshoe of an intended shape in situ, including cleaning the surface of the shoe area of a horse hoof of debris, collecting an unconfined malleable paste-like resin mass beyond said shoe area surface, applying said mass onto the cleaned hoof surface and forming said mass into a generally solid horseshoe-shaped form with a tool having exposed surfaces, and then locally modifying the exposed surfaces of said horseshoe mass to conform said exposed surfaces to said final intended horseshoe shape on said shoe area surface.

Claim 3 (Currently amended): A method for building an animal shoe of an intended shape in situ, including cleaning the surface of the shoe area of debris, depositing onto the cleaned hoof surface a flowable shoe preform comprising a

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malleable paste-like resin mass having a depth and a width of profile generally conforming to said intended shoe shape in said shoe area ~~surface adhering relation~~, reducing said mass to a solid, non-flowable state to retain substantially all said mass on said shoe area surface, and then locally mechanically modifying said mass to modify with a tool its profile to conform to said final intended shoe shape on said shoe area surface.

Claims 4-13 (Cancelled)

Claim 14 (Currently amended): A method of protecting a horse hoof from ~~a~~ an uneven pressure on the hoof from a horseshoe, including clearing from the hoof all nails and previous shoe, and forming on the cleaned hoof an adherent, solid resin mass that adheres to the hoof surface in shoe-forming relation.

Claims 15-16 (Cancelled)